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Title **A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR IMPLEMENTING A SOFTWARE BRIDGE/ROUTER WITHIN A COMPUTER NETWORK**
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

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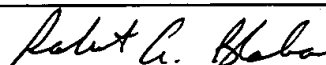
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1 Page of Abstract
5 Pages of Informal Drawings
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